

Agenda

- 8:00 Registration
- 9:00 Demo's & Basic Principles of
Soil Health—Doug Peterson
- 10:15 Break
- 10:30 Making Soil Health Work
Part 1— Gabe Brown
- 12:00 Lunch provided with RSVP
- 1:00 Delta Center Soil Health
Update—Gene Stevens
- 1:30 Local Producer Panel
- 2:15 Break
- 2:30 Making Soil Health Work
Part 2—Gabe Brown
- 3:30 Q and A for all speakers



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October 29th:
Stoddard County
SWCD
(573) 624-5939 ext 3

Soil Health Clinic

Miner Convention
Center
Sikeston, MO

November 5, 2014

Presented by:

**Missouri Delta
Soil Health Alliance**



Speakers

Gabe Brown



Gabe is one of the pioneers of the current soil health movement which focuses on regenerating our resources.

Gabe, along with his wife Shelly, and son Paul, own and operate a diversified 5,000 acre farm and ranch near Bismarck, ND. Their ranch focuses on farming and ranching in nature's image.

The Brown's holistically integrate their grazing and no-till cropping system which includes a wide variety of cash crops along with multi-species cover crops along with all natural grass fed beef, poultry and sheep. This diversity and integration has regenerated the natural resources on the ranch without the use of synthetic fertilizers, pesticides and fungicides.

Over 2,000 people visit the Brown's Ranch annually to see this unique operation for themselves. They have had visitors from all 50 states and 16 foreign countries.

CEU's Applied For

Doug Peterson

Doug is a rancher and a 25 year NRCS employee in Missouri. Currently he is the State Soil Health Conservationist teaching staff and producers around the state about soil health, how it impacts virtually all natural resource processes, and what type of management it will take to effectively improve our soil's health.



He also operates a cow/calf and contract grazing operation with his father, Steve. They utilize Management-intensive Grazing and Holistic High Density Grazing to improve soil health, eliminate the need for most purchased fertilizer and limit hay needs to about one bale / cow per winter.

Gene Stevens

Dr. Gene Stevens grew up on a dairy crop farm in Oakland, TN. He earned a PhD in soil science from Mississippi State University in 1992. He conducted research on cover crops for conservation tillage at Milan, TN and Holly Springs, MS. He is currently the cropping systems specialist at the University of Missouri-Delta Center at Portageville. His extension program is focused on educating clientele on farming practices to increase crop yields, reduce input costs, and conserve natural resources. He has also conducted research on rice irrigation in South Africa and soil testing in Tanzania.



Local Producer Panel

Jeff Lorberg—Cape Girardeau County

Wayne Coarse—Mississippi County

Ken Westrich—Scott County

Patrick Seyer—Scott County

Johnny Hunter—Stoddard County

Registration

Name _____

Phone # _____

Lunch Provided with RSVP by October 29th:

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